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Docket No.: 27636/39666
(PATENT)

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Patent Application of: Qin et al.

Application No.: 10/722,371

Group Art Unit: Not Yet Assigned

Filed: November 24, 2003

Examiner: Not Yet Assigned

For: METHODS OF PRODUCING AND
PURIFYING RECOMBINANT ALPHA-L-
IDURONIDASE

PETITION TO ACCORD PROPER FILING DATE OF APPLICATION

Deputy Commissioner for Patents
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Dear Sir:

The Applicants file this petition to request correction of the filing date accorded the above referenced application.

I. Statement of Facts

1. The referenced application was filed November 24, 2003. Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.10, Applicants filed the Application and related papers using "Express Mail" with the U.S. Postal Service, under Express Mail label EV 233 435 399 US.

2. A copy of the original Express Mail label marked by U.S. Postal Service personnel is attached as **Exhibit A**. This copy of the label shows the date of receipt of the application by the U.S. Postal Service was 11/24/2003 as evidenced by the entry in box entitled "Date In."

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3. The Express Mail label number was included on the utility patent application transmittal, the fee transmittal sheet, and the cover page of the patent application. Each of these pages as filed are attached as **Exhibit B**.

4. Attached as **Exhibit C** is a printout from the U.S. Postal Service Track and Confirm website, which also indicates that the "ACCEPTANCE" date of the documents shipped under Express Mail label number EV 233 435 399 US was November 24, 2003.

5. Nabeela R. McMillian directly deposited the application papers with an employee of the United States Postal Service. (See attached declaration from Nabeela R. McMillian, **Exhibit D**).

6. Along with the filing paper, Applicants submitted a postcard itemizing the papers transmitted therewith. The postcard was returned, acknowledging receipt of the papers by the United States Patent and Trademark Office and indicating the serial number and filing date accorded to the application. (Attached as **Exhibit E**). This returned postcard was received by the undersigned representatives on December 11, 2003.

7. Nabeela R. McMillian became aware that the wrong date was accorded by reviewing the returned postcard on December 11, 2003. The returned postcard indicates that the Serial No. accorded the application is 10/722,371 and indicates that the filing date is "112503," which denotes a filing date of November 25, 2003.

II. Legal Authority upon Which Instant Petition is based

The statutory authority for the granting of a filing date based on the date of deposit for correspondence sent by "Express Mail" and received by the Office is found in 35 U.S.C. §21(a). The Commissioner may by rule prescribe that any paper or fee required to be filed in the Patent and Trademark Office will be considered filed in the Office on the date on which it was deposited with the United States Postal Service.

37 C.F.R. §1.10(a) provides that any correspondence received by the Patent and Trademark Office (Office) that was delivered by the "Express Mail Post Office to

Addressee" service of the United States Postal Service (USPS) will be considered filed in the Office on the date of deposit with the USPS, which is shown by the "date-in" on the "Express Mail" mailing label. According to 37 C.F.R. §1.10(b), to be accorded the Express Mailing date as the date of deposit, the correspondence should be directly deposited with an employee of the USPS to ensure that the person depositing the correspondence receives a legible copy of the "Express Mail" mailing label with the "date-in" clearly marked.

37 C.F.R. §1.10(c) authorizes petition to the Commissioner to accord the correspondence a filing date as of the "date-in" on the "Express Mail" mailing label if that person can show that there is a discrepancy between the filing date accorded by the Office to the correspondence and the date of deposit as shown by the "date-in" on the "Express Mail," provided that:

(1) The petition is filed promptly after the person becomes aware that the Office has accorded, or will accord, a filing date other than the USPS deposit date;

(2) The number of the "Express Mail" mailing label was placed on the paper(s) or fee(s) that constitute the correspondence prior to the original mailing by "Express Mail;" and

(3) The petition includes a true copy of the "Express Mail" mailing label showing the "date-in," and of any other official notation by the USPS relied upon to show the date of deposit.

III. Requested Relief and Reasons Relief Should be Granted

This petition is filed, pursuant to §1.10, to obtain correction of the filing date for the instant application to date of deposit of the application in "Express Mail" rather than the date accorded to the application by the Office.

The instant application was filed on November 24, 2003 (factual paragraph 1). Applicants used the "Express Mail" procedures sanctioned in 37 C.F.R. §1.10 to file the application, and filed the application under Express Mail Label No. EV 233 435 933 US (factual paragraphs 2-4). Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.10(c)(3), a true copy of the Express Mail Label No. EV 233 435 933 US is attached as **Exhibit A**. The number of this Express Mail

label was affixed to each of the documents that was filed with the application (factual paragraph 3).

The application was directly deposited with an employee of the USPS at the Downtown Chicago Main Post Office by Nabeela R. McMillian on November 24, 2003 (factual paragraph 5). The USPS employee marked the “date in” box of the Express Mail label as “11/24/03”

On December 11, 2003, the undersigned representative received the returned copy of the postcard that was enclosed with the application papers acknowledging receipt of the Application papers. On December 11, 2003, the undersigned representative reviewed the postcard and noted that the filing date accorded to the instant application was November 25, 2003, and not the Express Mailing date, which was November 24, 2003. Thus, the undersigned representative has become aware that the Office will accord a filing date other than the USPS Express Mail deposit date. The instant petition is being filed promptly on December 11, 2003, and is believed to be timely filed within the requirements of 37 C.F.R. §1.10(c)(1).

In view of the above factual assertions and explanation, Applicants assert that the correct filing date for the instant application is November 24, 2003 and Applicants petition the Deputy Commissioner for Patents Examination Policy to review the instant matter and accord the Express Mailing date of November 24, 2003 as the filing date of the instant application. A petition fee in the amount of \$130.00 is attached.

IV. Conclusions

Applicants believe that the facts show that the filing date of the instant application is November 24, 2003 and not November 25, 2003 as listed on the returned receipt postcard. Therefore, Applicants request that Deputy Commissioner for Patents Examination Policy grant this petition and correct the records at the United States Patent and Trademark Office to reflect the correct filing date of the application. No additional fees are believed to be due with the filing of a petition, however, should a fee be deemed necessary in

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Petition Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.10(c)
To review and correct filing date of application

Docket No.: 30610/30009A

connection with the filing of this petition the Commissioner is hereby authorized to deduct such a fee from Marshall, Gerstein and Borun LLP account number 13-2855.

Dated: December 11, 2003

Respectfully submitted,

By 

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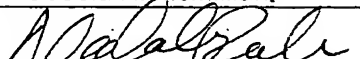
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☒ Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27

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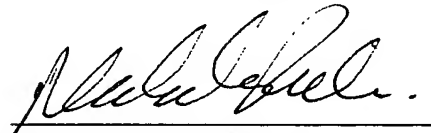
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Sir:

I, Nabeela R. McMillian, do hereby declare and state as follows:

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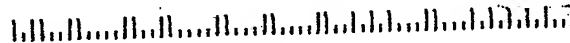
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